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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
(37 CFR §1.114)

1. Applicants hereby request continued examination, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114, for
the above identified application.

2. This request is being submitted:

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i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application

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iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences

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that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.

iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under
35 U.S.C. 145 or

☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146

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3. Please Enter and Consider the following *Previously Submitted Documents*:

- ☐ Amendment filed _____.
- ☐ Brief on Appeal filed _____.
- ☐ Other:

4. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449
- ☒ An Amendment
- ☐ New arguments
- ☐ New evidence in support of patentability
- ☐ Other:

5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

RCE Filing Fee (37 CFR §1.17(e))						\$ 790.00
Claims	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	No. of Extra Claims Present		
Total Claims	32	Minus	57	0	\$ 50.00	
Independent Claims	1	Minus	3	0	\$ 200.00	
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)					\$ 360.00	
<p align="center"><u>Extension of Term</u></p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR §1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ 120.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ 450.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$1,020.00</p> <p>If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An extension for _____ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.</p>						
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.						
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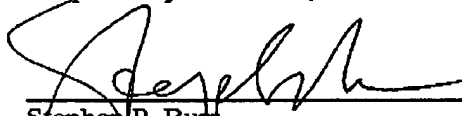
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Respectfully submitted,



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